STATISTICS --- NON-CONFORMING VEHICLE ISSUE

Comparable Safety 1994 Data (the year of the Heathwood Hall accident)

21,813 deaths in passenger vehicles or 0.86 deaths per 100 million miles Railroad Passenger Trains the rate is 0.04 deaths per 100 million miles Scheduled Airlines the rate is 0.04 deaths per 100 million miles Transit Buses the rate is 0.02 deaths per 100 million miles Intercity Buses the rate is 0.02 deaths per 100 million miles 2 deaths in school buses or less than .005 deaths per 100 million miles Therefore, School Buses are 172 times safer than passenger vehicles

8 times safer than Passenger Trains

8 times safer than Scheduled Airlines

4 times safer than Transit Buses

4 times safer than Intercity Buses

Source: 1996, National Safety Council

Accidents between a School Bus and Other Vehicle Resulting in Deaths, 1994

66 people died

occupants of other vehicle = 64 deaths occupants of School Buses = 2 deaths Source: 1996, National Safety Council

School Bus Passenger Deaths Other Years

1986	0
1987	9
1988	6
1989	33
1990	7
1991	15
1992	9
1993	12
1994	2
1995	13
1996	8
Average	10

Source: National Highway Safety Traffic Administration Traffic Safety Facts, 1997.

Accidents of Right Side Impacts Resulting in Deaths

From 1992 to 1996 (5 years) 4,333 occupants died in light trucks

From 1986 to 1995 (10 years) 9 occupants died in school buses

Source: National Safety Council

State School Bus Deaths in School Buses

In the last 18 years there have been no occupant deaths as a result of an accident with another vehicle.

During these 18 years State school buses have traveled more than a billion miles

Source: S.C. Department of Education

Fatal Accidents for Children

27% vehicle crash

16% Drowning

15% Pedestrian

13% Fire

10% Choking

19% Other

Source: National SAFE KIDS Campaign

School Buses

Travel Approximately 4.2 billion miles each year Using 390,000 school buses each day Transporting 23 million students each day

Source: National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services